

Quarterly Report¹

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	Beneficiaries for Reporting Period				Beneficiaries for Cumulative (to date) Period			
	Targeted		Reached		Targeted		Reached	
	Total	IDP	Total	IDP	Total	IDP	Total	IDP
All	5,850	0	4,358	1,157	6,700	0	5,000*	1,157
Sector 1 SS 1	350	0	313	0	1,000	0	813	0
Sector 2	5,500	0	4,045	1,157	5,500	0	4,045	1,157
Sector 3	0	0	0	0	200	0	257	0

***Note:** 110 people in "My Home as a Safe Space" and 5 small businesses in the Economic Recovery Market System (ERMS) activities have also participated in activities on Policy and Planning.

SECTOR: All sectors

Indicator 1: OFDA7 % of the neighborhoods that benefit from results of the disaster risk reduction (DRR) program	Target this quarter: 10%	Progress this quarter: 9%	Cumulative Target: 10%	Cumulative progress to date: 9%	Target for the life of the project: 10%	% of progress towards target: 9%
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Notes: The result includes 813 participants from 56 community based organizations (CBOs) that have participated in the workshops with the Universidad Pontificia Bolivariana (UPB), 257 representatives of productive units or small businesses that have participated in the activities for the recovery of market systems, and 4,045 members of households visited with the campaign of "My Home as a Safe Space."

SECTOR 1: Risk Management Policy and Practices

SUB-SECTORS: Policy and Planning

Indicator 1: OFDA1 % of community members involved in project design and implementation	Target this quarter: 10%	Progress this quarter: 9%	Cumulative Target: 10%	Cumulative progress to date: 9%	Target for the life of the project: 10%	% of progress towards target: 9%
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¹ This report includes all the indicators detailed with quarterly frequency in the Monitoring and Evaluation Plan. The other indicators will be reported at the end of the Program.

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Indicator 2: OFDA2 Score of involvement by community-based organizations in the design and implementation of the DRR project	Target this quarter: 5	Progress this quarter: 3	Cumulative Target: 5	Cumulative progress to date: 3	Target for life of project: 5	% of progress towards target: 60%
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Notes: This indicator is on a scale described in the OFDA Urban Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) Custom Indicators, and is not an absolute number. Representatives or members of 56 CBOs have participated in different workshops to elaborate a Neighborhood DRR Plan. This indicator is the average of the 56 CBOs' evaluation made by our implementing partner UPB.

Indicator 3: OFDA3 Scale of local government involvement in the DRR project	Target this quarter: 5	Progress this quarter: 3	Cumulative Target: 5	Cumulative progress to date: 3	Target for life of project: 5	% of progress towards target: 60%
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Notes: This indicator is a scale described in the OFDA Urban DRR Custom Indicators, and is not an absolute number. Last quarter, the Administrative Department of Disaster Risk Management (DAGRD, Spanish acronym) and Medellin Solidaria continued to active participate in the program by helping to develop the content of the brochures. The EDU (*Empresa de Desarrollo Urbano de Medellin*) is supporting hazard mitigation works in the neighborhoods, especially in El Pinal, where collaboration was established to support food security in this zone. Also, other national and local offices are collaborating with specific actions, such as National Learning Service (SENA) and the National Health Faculty of the University of Antioquia. This indicator is the average scale of eight public sector institutions evaluation.

Indicator 4: OFDA4 Ratio of vulnerable people (youth, elderly, women , and persons with disabilities) involved in project design and implementation to number of community members involved in these processes.	Target this quarter: 70%	Progress this quarter: 59%	Cumulative Target: 70%	Cumulative progress to date: 59%	Target for life of project: 70%	% of progress towards target: 84%
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Notes: 59% of the people participating in the Program's activities are women (74% in participatory planning, 55% in "My Home as a Safe Space", and 49% in Economic Recovery Market System (ERMS)). 5% of household members receiving "My Home as a Safe Space" campaign are persons with disabilities, 19% are young people and approximately 11% are elderly people.

Indicator 5: CRRP 1.2 Number of people participating in discussions regarding national risk reduction strategies as a result of the program, disaggregated by gender	Target this quarter: 350	Progress this quarter: 313	Cumulative Target: 1000	Cumulative progress to date: 813	Target for life of project: 1,000	% of progress towards target: 81%
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Notes: 75% of the people participating in participatory planning workshops are women. During this quarter, two new neighborhoods began the participatory planning process with the UPB.

Indicator 6: CRRP 1.3 Number of communities and stakeholders involved in the development of plans, policies, and strategies.	Target this quarter: 0	Progress this quarter: 8	Cumulative Target: 48	Cumulative progress to date: 56	Target for life of project: 48	% of progress towards target: 117%
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Notes: Representatives or members of new organizations have become engaged in the program through the process of reviewing and validating the results of the participatory mapping workshops to create each Neighborhood's DRR Plan.

SECTOR 1: Risk Management Policy and Practices

SUB-SECTOR: Public-Private Partnerships (PPPs)

Indicator 1:	Target this quarter:	Progress this quarter:	Cumulative Target:	Cumulative progress to date:	Target for life of project:	% of progress towards target:
CRRP5 Number of private sector partners supporting DRR activities in Medellin	5	4	20	10	20	50%

Notes: As of the end of December 2015, the Program has contacted 43 institutions with potential to establish PPPs; 15 of these partnerships were formalized through memorandums of understanding or formal letters (10 with private sectors, 5 with public offices). 14 institutions are currently under review for signature, and three are in the stage of negotiation and definition of activities that may generate agreements.

Indicator 2: CRRP 2.1	Target this quarter:	Progress this quarter:	Cumulative Target:	Cumulative progress to date:	Target for life of project:	% of progress towards target:
Number of private sector businesses engaged in response or DRR-related activities as a result of this program	10	4	220	210	220	95%

Notes: This indicator includes 200 small business in the neighborhoods and 20 private sector organizations. The Program has reached 100% of the small business and 50% of private sector institutions through PPP.

Indicator 3: CRRP 2.3	Target this quarter:	Progress this quarter:	Cumulative Target:	Cumulative progress to date:	Target for life of project:	% of progress towards target:
Percentage of businesses in the target business category in the program area incorporated into project activities.	33%	33%	33%	100%	33%	100%

Notes: 100% of the local businesses working with the program are in the target business category or defined as critical markets.

Brief Sector Narrative:

This quarter, representatives or members of new CBOs were engaged in the workshops to collect information required for the design of the Neighborhoods' DRR Plans (timeline, participatory mapping, workshops, walking routes through the neighborhoods and validation process). With all the inputs collected during this process, the UPB is designing the Neighborhoods' DRR Plans, including the corrective and prospective measures for a safer territory identified with participants, and the map of each neighborhood with hazards, vulnerable places, market systems, etc. The first meetings took place in the two new neighborhoods where the program is expanding (Santa Margarita-Commune 7 and Belalcazar-Commune 5) during which the leaders and organizations were identified and schedules were agreed upon to start the process with the risk management fundamentals workshop in January. In addition, within the DAGRD partnership, the program has shared the booklet "My Home as a Safe Space" with all of the CBE's (Neighborhood Emergency Committees) of Medellin. This quarter, 169 members of 18 CBE's of Medellin were trained on the contents of the booklet so that they can begin visiting households.

SECTOR 2: Shelter and Settlements

SUB-SECTORS: Shelter and Settlements Hazards Mitigation

Indicator 1: OFDA9	Target this quarter:	Progress this quarter:	Cumulative Target:	Cumulative progress to date:	Target for life of project:	% of progress towards target:
Percentage of trained people that retain DRR knowledge 3 and 6 months after training	0	0	90%	0	90%	0

Notes: The first evaluation of retained knowledge in DRR will be held during the first quarter of 2016.

Indicator 2: CRRP 3.1 Number of shelters incorporating DRR measures	Target this quarter: 0	Progress this quarter: 0	Cumulative Target: 50	Cumulative progress to date: 0	Target for life of project: 50	% of progress towards target: 0
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Notes: Shelter improvements have not yet been identified. The eight construction projects to mitigate hazards in the neighborhoods are not included in this indicator. One of them was completed in Llanaditas, three are currently under construction, two will begin in January 2016, and two were recently submitted for approval by OFDA.

Brief Sector Narrative:

At the end of the quarter, six of the eight hazard mitigation construction projects were selected within the community of participants: five pedestrian walkways made up of sidewalks, stairs and handrails in the four neighborhoods, and one slope stabilization with an eco-garden in partnership with EDU in Llanaditas. By the end of 2015, three of these projects were under construction and one – in Llanaditas – was completed. At the end of the year, the program submitted the remaining two mitigation construction projects to OFDA for approval: two slope stabilization projects with eco-gardens. Additionally, in collaboration with the JAC (Community Action Board) and the municipal Office of Environmental Secretary, a one-day workshop was developed in Llanaditas to train the community in solid waste management and how to clean the zone around the “La Aguadita” stream.

SECTOR 3: Economic recovery and market systems

SUB-SECTOR: Market System Rehabilitation

Indicator 2: CRRP 4.4 Total USD amount channeled into the program area through sub-sector activities	Target this quarter: \$1,500	Progress this quarter: \$2,982	Cumulative Target: \$3,500	Cumulative progress to date: \$5,581	Target for life of project: \$8,000	% of progress towards target: 70%
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Notes: All snacks offered during the workshops were purchased from suppliers in each of the neighborhoods.

Brief Sector Narrative:

FENALCO finished the intervention process with 72 small businesses selected in the neighborhoods to strengthen skills in DRR and business continuity, with the support of the booklet ¡Gestiono el riesgo, Crezco mi negocio! Additionally, FENALCO consolidated the data of this group to begin designing the sectorial continuity plans.

Key Outputs:

- 6 hazard mitigation projects were agreed upon with the communities (three of them under construction, one completed, two pending to start during January).
- 1,164 households participating in “My Home as a Safe Space”.
- 15 PPP’s signed, 10 of them with private sector companies.
- Coordination meetings with DAGRD and National Unit for Disaster Risk Management (UNGRD, Spanish acronym).

Analysis of Progress:

During this period, the beginning of hazard mitigation projects and the “My Home as a Safe Space” campaign has been outstanding, putting into action the methodologies designed for these topics. It is also important to mention that a survey was developed with participants of “My House as a Safe Space” and the small business participants in ERMS. The survey asked about their satisfaction with the program. 95% of those surveyed responded positively about the Program’s impact. Three special activities were performed under PPP with the National Learning Service (SENA), Fundación de La Mujer and Comfenalco.

Collaboration/Coordination:

At the end of the year, Global Communities and implementing partners held two coordination meetings to share information about the program development with the public organizations related to the issue of DRR. Participating in the meetings were the local committee of the DAGRD and the national-level UNGRD. Each implementing partner presented their progress, and a discussion was moderated with DAGRD on the importance of continuing the process for 2016. In the meeting with UNGRD, the methodologies used by the program were presented.

New Developments:

This quarter, as part of the replication process, the program began working with two new neighborhoods (Santa Margarita in Commune 7 and Belalcazar in Commune 5). These new neighborhoods, selected by Global Communities and DAGRD, will first participate in a course on "fundamentals of DRM." Then the UPB will promote different workshops with the CBOs to replicate the planning process around two hazards that each community identifies in the workshops.

Challenges:

- To demonstrate to the new administration the importance of risk management processes using the community approach in order to generate continuity in the process.
- To confirm partnerships with EPM Foundation, ORBIS and CISP Foundation.
- The articulation of the results of the other sectors in the development of neighborhood plans and knowledge of risk reduction.

Key activities for the upcoming quarter:

SS1: Deliver completed plans on Neighborhoods' Knowledge and Disaster Risk Reduction to CBOs, local institutions, and participating communities.

SS2: Finalize the PPPs that are in the process of being signed, revised and/or reviewed.

SS3: Select the homes for the improvements and implement the construction projects.

SS4: Deliver "critical market businesses continuity plans" to all small business participants.

Systematization: Based on the matrix provided (Systematization-questions), answer the questions that correspond to the current phase of the project implementation.

Cross-Cutting Issues	Implementation
Participation	As a result of the program's activities, including the basic course on fundamentals of disaster risk management, timeline exercises about disasters in zones, participatory mapping of hazards and their causes, and identification of structural and non-structural measures, CBOs have access to more tools to manage risk and influence decisions and actions that shape the development and future of their territory. The neighborhood approach has raised awareness of and increased recognition of community responsibility in risk management.
Governance	DAGRDR has participated in discussions about construction projects in the neighborhoods. The national-level UNGRD has revised different products developed under the CRRP, such as the participatory maps and "My Home as a Safe Space" and "¡Gestiono el riesgo, Crezco mi negocio!" booklets, demonstrating some interest in adapting them to other projects nationwide. Furthermore, new sectors are taking part in DRR activities, such as Environmental and Health Community Committees and Economic Development Offices, who are working for the first time on DRR issues.
Social Inclusion	The group focused on spreading the "My Home as a Safe Space" campaign is comprised of women living in these neighborhoods. All of the construction projects taking place under this Program were selected with the community participating in Policy and Planning workshops (75% female participation). Nearly 45% of businesses engaged in ERMS activities are owned by women or they are responsible for them. CBOs working in Planning and Policy sector represent diverse community groups: nine are CBOs working directly in DRR (CBE's and Volunteer Firefighters), 15 officially administrative representatives (JAC, JAL), eight local committees (health, environment, infrastructure, IDP and victims, social inclusion), eight are elderly people collectives, two youth groups, one indigenous representative, among others.
Sustainability	As DAGRD becomes more involved with the Program, as well as its volunteers in the community (CBEs), the outputs of the Program can be appropriated by local partners. Hazard mitigation works have been complemented by activities such as community clean-ups of streams; promotion of actions oriented towards a balanced relationship with the environment, and reduction of risk behaviors and encouragement of sustainable habits.